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BRITISH FLEET "LOST"

Budapest, To-day.

Contradictory rumours about the whereabouts of the British Fleet are current in Athens.

Official information merely declares that the Fleet is not in the neighbourhood of the Ionian Islands.

However, it is reported that the French Fleet is in touch with the British Fleet near Corfu. — Trans-Ocean.

PROVISIONS FOR DETENTION OF ALIENS

AN AMENDMENT TO THE EMERGENCY REGULATIONS GAZETTED TO-DAY PROVIDES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, IF NEED BE, OF A CONCENTRATION CAMP FOR ALIENS.

The Amendment reads as follows:

Paragraphs (4) and (5) of regulation 84, as enacted by Government Notification No. 794, published in the Gazette of 12th October, 1938, are rescinded and the following are substituted therefor:

(4) Aliens may be confined in any camp or place established under paragraph (2), taken from any such camp or place to another, or released subject to such directions as the Commissioner of Police or the Director of Medical Services in his discretion and

Paris, To-day. The diplomatic activities of the democratic powers have in no way slackened following the pledges to Rumania and Greece.

Efforts are being made to strengthen the next link in the anti-aggression chain, namely between Poland and Rumania, who already have an alliance. It is understood that satisfactory progress is being made.

Meanwhile the talks with Soviet Russia are continuing, and it is hoped to reach a satisfactory arrangement with Moscow for indirect material aid to Poland and Rumania.

Since France has a consultation pact with the Soviet, Paris, rather than London, is taking the lead in regard to Russia.

GIBRALTAR ERECTING BARRICADES

Gibraltar, To-day.

The work on barricades and other precautionary measures is continuing, as the result of military activities observed in Algeciras and other Spanish towns in the vicinity of Gibraltar.

It is understood that boom defences are being placed at both entrances to the Admiralty harbour. — Reuter.

either personally or by his officers may give for reporting to the police, restriction of movement and otherwise.

(5) The Commissioner of Police, the Director of Medical Services, any public officer authorized, either generally or specially, by the Commissioner of Police or the Director of Medical Services in that behalf and any member of His Majesty's forces so authorized as aforesaid may, using force if necessary, arrest and detain any person who appears to such Commissioner, Director, officer or member of His Majesty's forces to be an alien to whom this regulation applies, and may take such person or direct such person to go to a camp or place established under paragraph (4)

BALKAN LINE OF RESISTANCE

While the attitude of Yugoslavia is still a mystery, it is believed that Bulgaria does not regard the events in Albania with any great satisfaction.

Bulgaria, it is held, is little disposed to allow herself to be used as the spearhead of an Axis thrust into the Balkans.

If Bulgaria keeps on good terms with the members of the Balkan Entente, a line of resistance may yet be built there. — Reuter.

DOWNING ST. COMPARATIVELY QUIET

London, To-day. After the feverish diplomatic activity of the last few days, Downing Street presented a relatively quiet aspect yesterday.

Mr. Chamberlain received the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, with whom he conversed for over an hour.

Later the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Kennedy, called at the Foreign Office.

It is believed Mr. Kennedy called for information regarding the negotiations between Britain, Turkey and other Balkan countries.

Mr. Chamberlain subsequently left for Chequers, where he will spend the week-end. — Trans-Ocean.

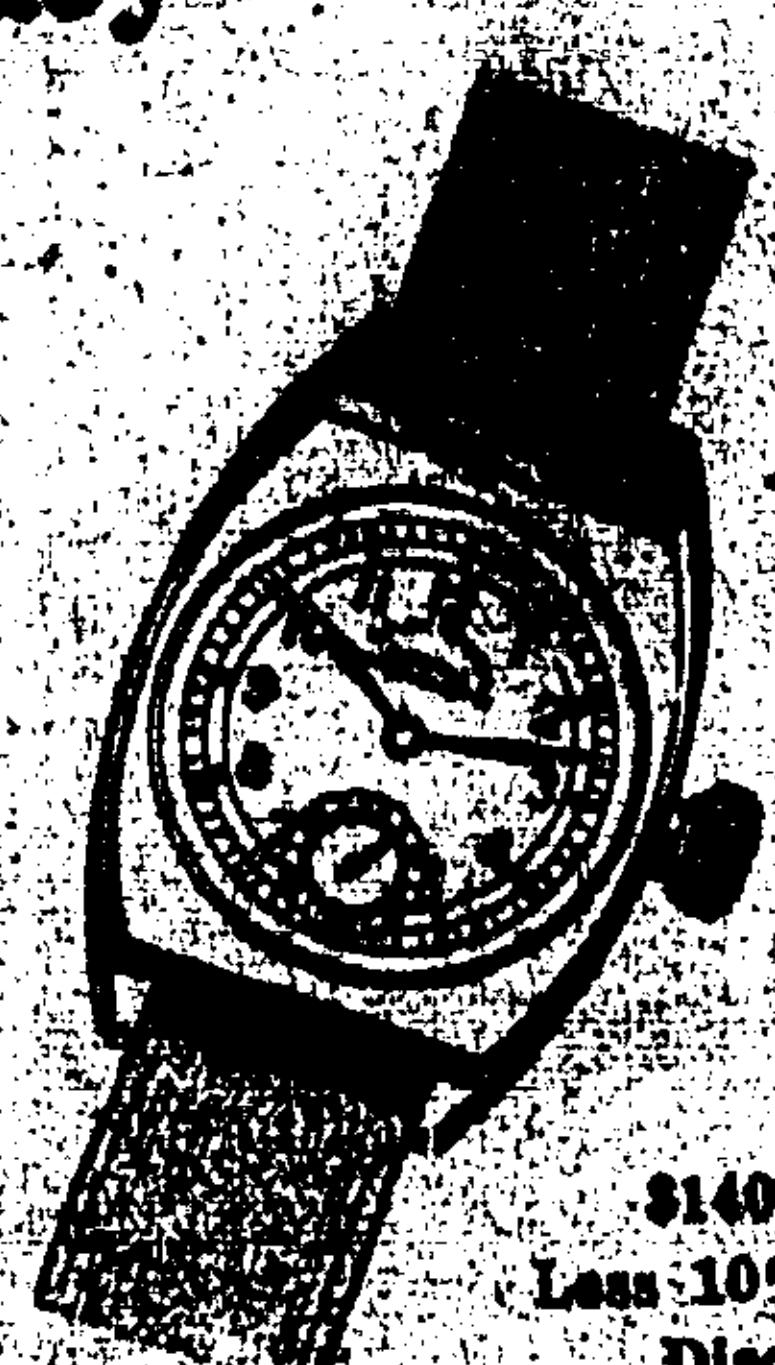


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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

DON'T BE A BORE IF YOU WISH TO POSSESS CHARM

Deep in every woman's heart is a very natural desire to be admired and loved by those who know her. In her own group she wishes to be considered charming. That

The rare quality of a personality which we call "charm" depends pretty much on one's approach to living. If you look at life squarely in the eyes, and meet its challenge unflinchingly, it is almost safe to bet you possess charm. For active interest in people and things, and the ability to give of yourself, makes you an interesting person. People like you, because you have something to share with them and because you are not dull. To be dull is to be a bore, and I have yet to see a bore emanating charm!

CREATE YOUR OWN INTEREST

There are so many women who feel neglected and sorry for themselves that I cannot refrain from being a little severe in my opinion of my sex. These women sit back, make no effort at all to spread themselves, and become sour personalities through their self pity and inactivity. They feel the world should come to them. Their friends should make life interesting for them. Not for a minute will they turn a candid eye upon themselves and ask the question: "What do I offer people? Why should I expect others to be interested in me?"

You are interesting only if you are interested. Remember that. And it is your own fault if you have no major or minor interests in your life. You have become chronically self-centered and have shut off all avenues of social contact with your fellow beings.

Every woman should have a hobby or several hobbies. It is up to you to apply yourself to the



Almost without exception most talented, interesting women have a hobby. ELLEN DREW, one of the newest stars, is a badminton devotee. Others collect stamps, devote time to an art or to charities.



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"Judging by the terrible shots," says putting Priscilla, "most of us should be ashamed to look up even after we have counted the prescribed ten."

study or pleasure of something, become listless. They lack sparkle, they turn fatigued faces to the world. And the world looks the other way! For each one of us is currently coping with one problem or another and we shun hearing the tales of woe from bores.

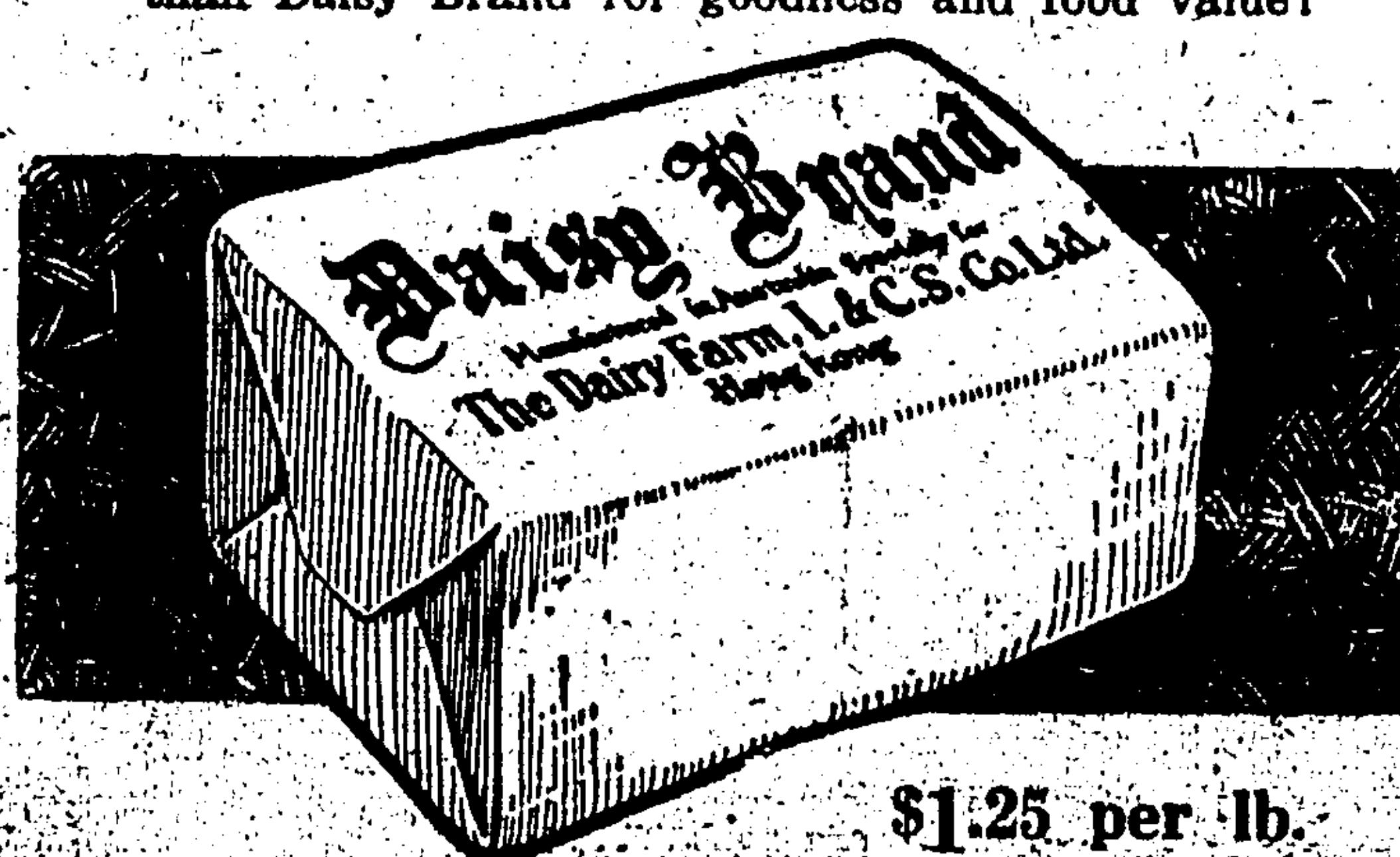
If life seems sour to you, and you are feeling pretty sorry for yourself, check up on your health. If nothing is organically wrong, then snap out of your dismal lethargy. Exercise out in the open, eat well, and seek an interest. In less time than you can imagine life will brighten, chronic fatigue will disappear, and you will not be bored any longer, or be a bore any longer!

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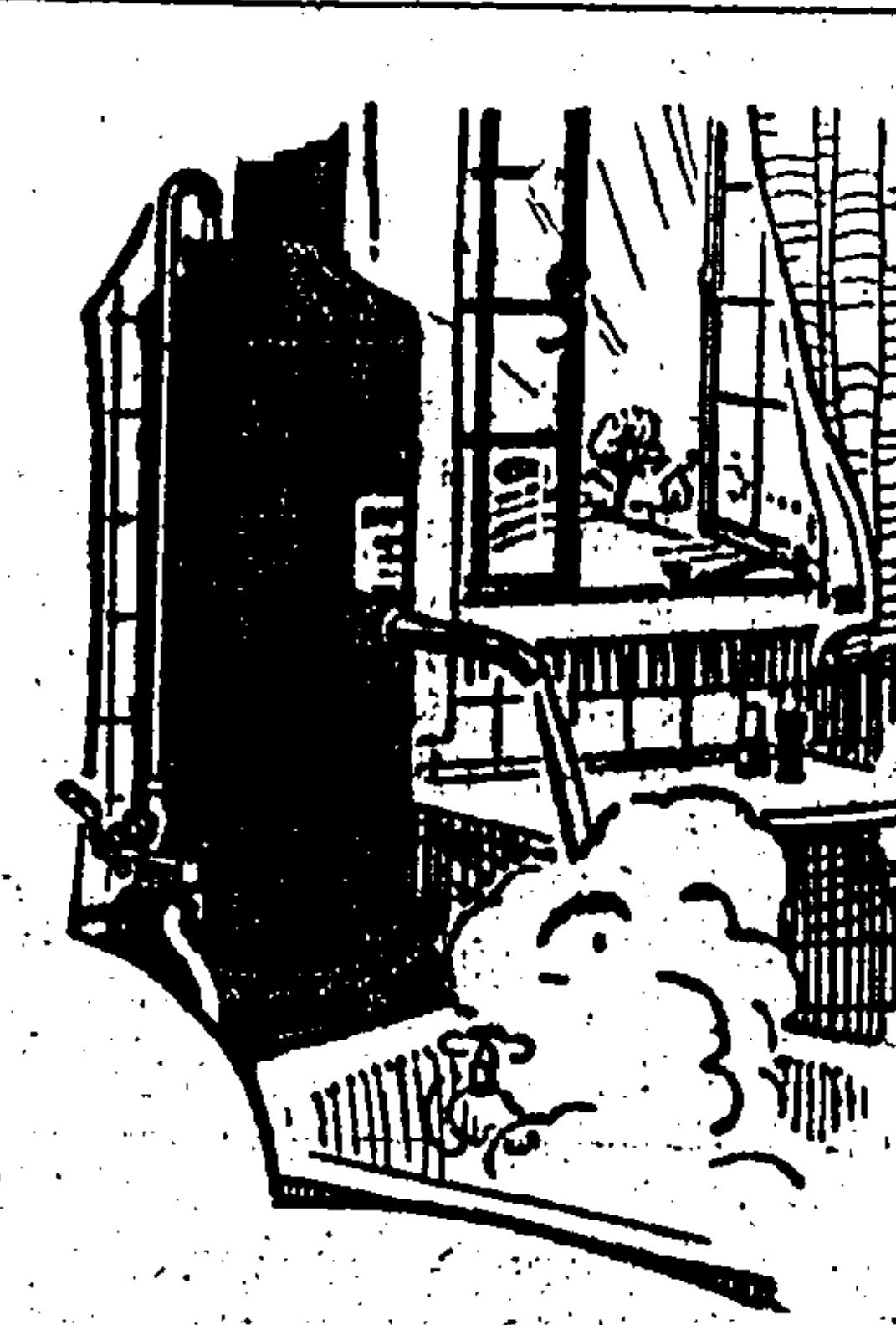
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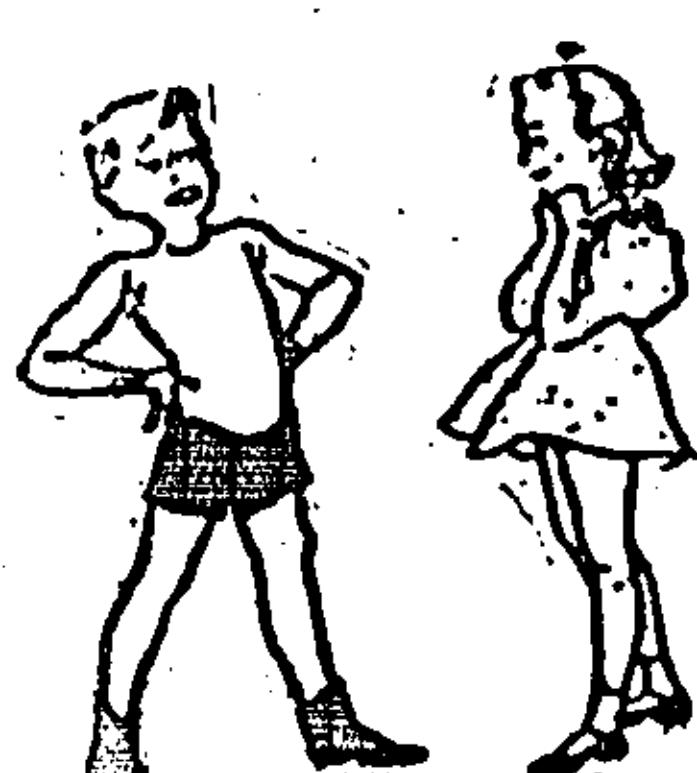
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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLARE

You may discover on this day that "Such sweet compulsion doth in music lie." Through its soothing power you will be impelled to many kindly actions. Many of the people you are apt to contact should display an exceptional amount of good will, sympathy or a willingness to co-operate with you in the furtherance of any logical plan. Fear of asking questions, apparently will be the basic cause of much of the day's confusion, misunderstandings, as well as many misconceptions that will bring about mental distress. Many things are liable to be done on the spur of the moment, this day and might bring belated regrets, so try not to be hasty in your decisions. Married and engaged couples, as well as sweethearts, should be very careful not to convey the impression that they are lacking in sentiment.

If a woman and April 15 is your birthday, you ought to have a strong personality. You probably act very naturally, and have a decided distaste for affectation. You have, inherently, a great amount of genius,

which requires only proper development to gain for you gratifying public recognition. While you do not believe in halfway measures, you are generally willing to make a compromise rather than engage in a quarrel. You can adjust yourself quickly to new places and people, and the probability is that you will have to do both on numerous journeys to distant places. Probably the best activities from which to make a selection are acting, singing, teaching, painting or writing. If you are married or are contemplating marriage, you should have little trouble in creating a happy home, and being capable of helping to bring prosperity, as well as contentment into your domestic life.

The child born on April 15, is usually exceptionally good, cheerful and a willing worker. From birth Fate generally leads it in the right direction. The future outlook for this youngster appears to be all that a fond parent could possibly expect.

Noodle Ring And Suggestion For Filling

By EDITH M. BARBER

A reader asks for the recipe for a noodle ring and also for suggestions for filling which make it appropriate to serve as a main luncheon or supper dish.

Either fine or broad noodles may be chosen and should be boiled not more than seven or eight minutes. Overcooking noodles makes them tough. After the noodles have been drained, they may be merely mixed with melted butter, salt, pepper and a little onion juice if you like, before being packed into a well greased mold. For a lighter, more delicate ring, eggs and milk which when baked form a custard, may be combined with the noodles.

The ring may be filled with any creamed meat, fish or vegetable. Shrimps on account of colour and flavour make an attractive filling. Mixed creamed vegetables which contrast in colour and flavour are a good choice for lunch. Instead, you may fill the ring with buttered spinach and garnish with sliced hard-cooked egg and sliced lemon dipped in paprika.

NOODLE RING

- 1 package noodles
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup rich milk or cream
- 3 eggs

Cook noodles in boiling salted water until tender. Drain, add melted butter, seasoning, milk and cream or lobster may replace the

egg whites. Pour into well greased mold (1 quart size), set in a pan of hot water and bake 30 minutes in a moderate oven, 375 degrees F. Turn out on platter and fill centre with creamed shrimps.

CREAMED SHRIMPS

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 1 tablespoon green pepper, chopped
- 1/4 cup flour
- Salt, pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon celery salt
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 2 cups cooked shrimps
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley
- 1 tablespoon cut pimiento
- 2 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Melt butter, add mushrooms and green peppers and cook five minutes. Stir in flour and seasonings and when smooth add milk and chicken broth, stirring constantly until smooth and thick. Add shrimps, parsley and pimento. Stir a small portion of hot mixture in the beaten yolks, mix well, and then pour the remainder of mixture. Stir and cook two minutes. Add lemon juice and serve. Note: Crabmeat, imitation crab, salmon or lobsters may replace the

IDEAL DIET FOR DIGESTIVE DISTURBANCES

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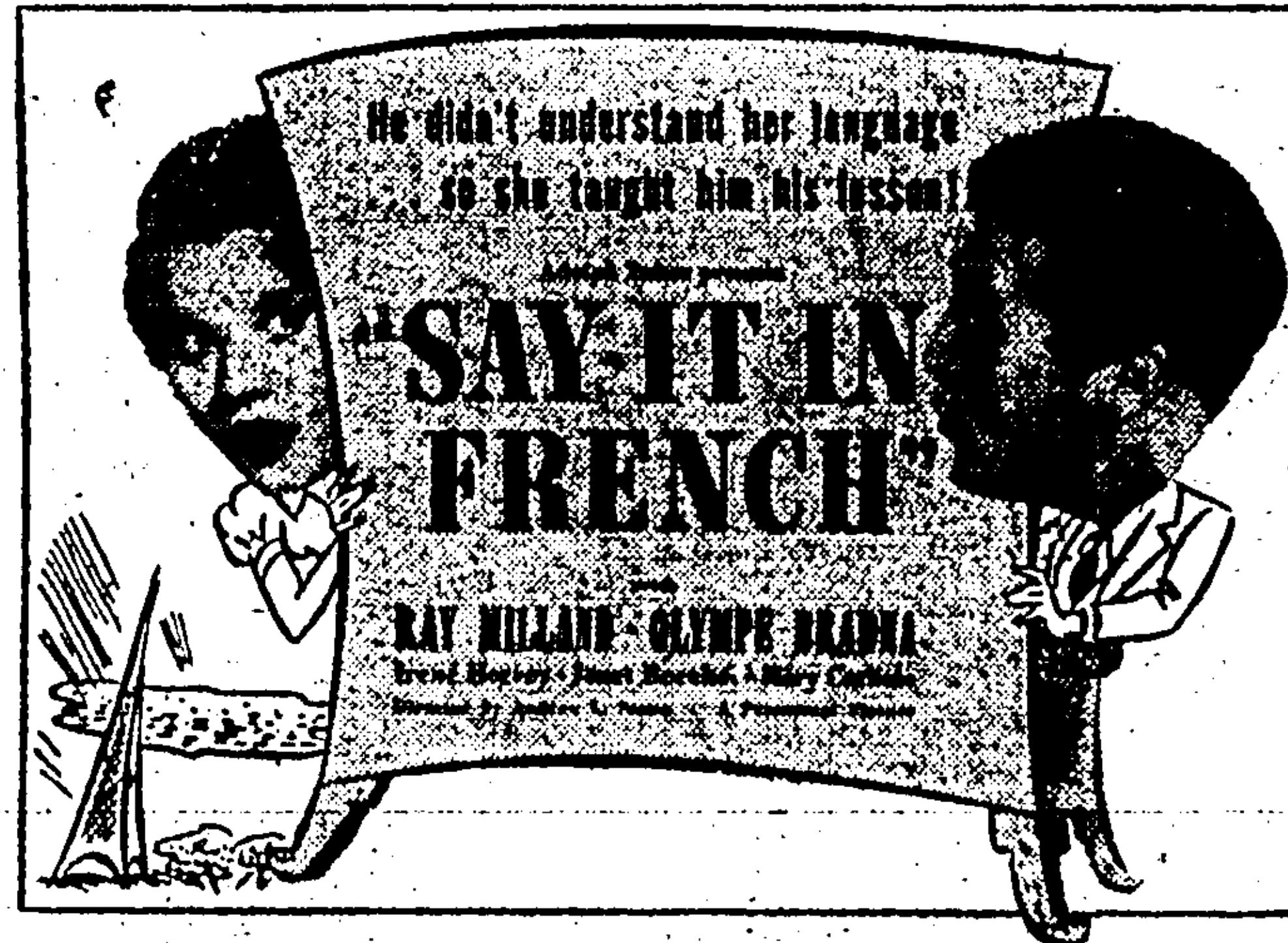
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**CLOSING NOTE****7 Girls In A Boat
Save Navy Cadets**

Two young naval cadets on board the training cruiser Frobisher, now in Portsmouth Harbour, owe their lives to the seamanship of seven girls of the 1st East Southsea Ranger crew.

The cadets were sailing a small dinghy in the harbour when it was suddenly caught in a squall and capsized. They were thrown into the sea, but managed to cling to their craft.

The Rangers, who were practising in an eight-oared boat, the Sea Breeze, were not far away at the time and swiftly rowed to the overturned boat and took the cadets on board.

"We were rowing the Sea Breeze from Hulsea Lido to the Camber," one of the Rangers, Miss Iris Clover, of Binstead-road, Portsmouth, told a reporter, "and had only got to the mouth of the Portchester Creek when we saw a sail dinghy capsized. CLINGING TO SIDE OF BOAT

"The occupants had been thrown into the water.

"We saw two young men clinging to the side of the boat, and we went to the rescue.

"We managed to get them on board the Sea Breeze safely.

"I don't think they could swim very well.

"We rowed the cadets towards the Frobisher, but were met by a motor-boat from the training ship, which took them on board.

"The upturned boat drifted on the tide, and we later saw it being towed back by a motor-boat."

The names of the young men have not been disclosed, but it is stated that they are none the worse for their experience.

**GOERING
HURRIES
TO ROME**

Rome, To-day. Field-Marshal Hermann Goering arrived here yesterday accompanied by his wife and was received with enthusiasm by Mussolini, Count Ciano (the Foreign Minister) and other heads of the Fascist Party.

Field-Marshal Goering is remaining in Rome for two days.

He had hurried in an Italian warship from Tripoli, where he was spending a holiday, in order to see Mussolini.—Reuter.

**KING OF ITALY'S
NEW TITLES**

ROME, TO-DAY.
THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MUSSOLINI, YESTERDAY AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING BILL CONCERNING THE UNION OF ITALY AND ALBANIA.

King Victor Emmanuel will be styled King of Italy and Albania and Emperor of Ethiopia.

The King will be represented in Albania by a Governor-General, in Tirana.

The Bill will be put before the Fascist Corporative Chamber and the Senate to-day.

An Albanian delegation has left Durazzo to offer the crown to the King. Trans-Ocean.

**CLIPPER
ON THE
WAY HOME**

London, To-day. The Yankee Clipper, which is on her return flight to Baltimore, arrived at the Azores yesterday from Southampton.—Reuter.

**OFFICIAL
APPOINTMENTS**

The following official appointments, etc. are gazetted:

Hon. Attorney General to be Vice-Chairman of the Licensing Board.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy to be a Member of the Licensing Board.

Mr. F. Shanks to be an Assistant Assessor of Rates.

Mr. C. M. McEwan to be a Physical Training Supervisor, Education Department.

Mr. W. G. R. Coates to be an Assistant Government Surveyor (Engineer and Ship Surveyor), Harbour Department.

Dr. G. D. R. Black to be a Member of the Midwives Board.

**ANCHOR KEPT
WEDDING DATE**

Orders to join a warship sailing in a few days to the Africa Station brought unbounded joy to A.B. Brown, for in Capetown his sweetheart was waiting for him, and they had planned to wed when he could join her there.

But two days before that on which his ship was due to leave a snag cropped up. Brown's false teeth, which had been sent to a dentist for repair, had not been returned, and there appeared no likelihood of delivery in time.

Repeated urgent appeals to the dentist, however, saved the situation; the repairs were rushed through and Brown sailed complete with false teeth.

But the ship ran into a particularly rough sea when two days from England.

LOST HIS TEETH

Brown (that's not his real name, by the way) is in every sense but one a good sailor. Turning away from the ship's side, over which for some time his head had been hanging limply, he told his shipmates that he had lost his teeth.

The picture of a bridegroom standing toothless at the altar was too much for him. "There will be no wedding until I can afford a new set," he told his mate.

And then a sailor reported that the teeth were lying on the anchor. It was impossible to retrieve them until the ship put into port at Mombasa.

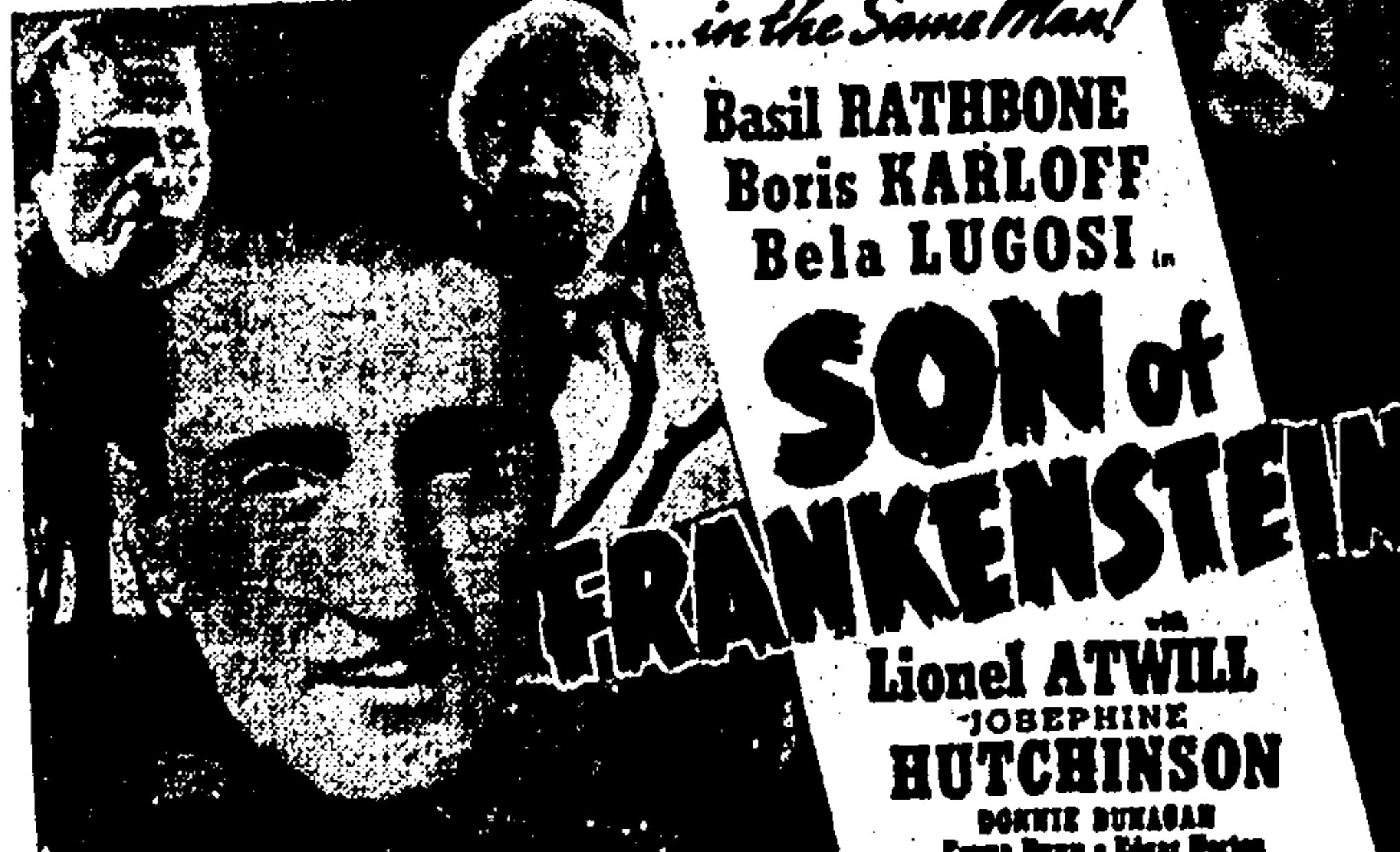
So every day until then Brown's pals kept anxious watch on the teeth, and a few weeks later wedding bells rang in Capetown.

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EXTENT OF BRITISH GUARANTEE TO RUMANIA QUESTIONED IN LONDON

London, To-day.

Although Mr. Chamberlain's declaration before the House of Commons is greeted with general approval by the press this morning, which calls the declaration "comprehensive but nevertheless marked by restraint," there is to be found some criticism.

The "Daily Mail" stresses in its editorial that there is one important difference between the Polish pact and the assistance pledges to Greece and Rumania.

The Anglo-Polish pact is reciprocal while the assistance pledge to Greece and Rumania is unilateral so that neither Greece nor Rumania are committed to come to England's assistance.

The paper points out that Transylvania contains a Hungarian minority of nearly two million inhabitants and asks whether the British pledge to Rumania would enter into operation in the event of a conflict between Hungary and Rumania or in the event of an attack by Bulgaria.

The "Daily Herald" declares that the Government's new foreign policy is reminiscent of the collective security policy of Geneva, though the Government's reorientated policy did not offer the same advantages as the collective security system of the League.

The "Times" demands the withdrawal of Italian volunteers from Spain immediately after the victory parade in Madrid and declares that the formal denunciation of the Anglo-Italian agreement will be unnecessary if embarkation of the volunteers is carried through.

The "News Chronicle" asserts that Lord Halifax's intervention during the Easter Holidays prevented the occupation of Corfu by Italy. The "News Chronicle" as well as the "Daily Herald" demand a closer cooperation with the Soviet-Union.—Trans-Ocean.

HUNGARIAN VISIT TO ROME

Budapest, To-day.
The Hungarian Premier and Foreign Minister are leaving for Rome on Monday evening.

They will discuss with Mussolini and Count Ciano all questions of mutual interest to both countries, and will leave Rome on the afternoon of April 21.—Trans-Ocean.

RUMANIA'S WELCOME OF GUARANTEE

BUCHAREST, TO-DAY.
FRIDAY'S LEADING ARTICLE OF THE "TIMPUL" WHICH OFTEN IS USED AS MOUTH-PIECE BY THE RUMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER M. GAFENCU DEALS WITH THE SPEECHES DELIVERED BY MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND M. DALADIER AND POINTS OUT THAT LONG AGO RUMANIA ANNOUNCED HER INTENTION OF DEFENDING HER OWN FRONTIERS COME WHAT MIGHT.

Rumania had not asked the western powers for any guarantee declaration but nevertheless accepted this guarantee with satisfaction and gratitude.

Rumania hopes that the declaration of the French and British Statesmen would contribute greatly to a general tranquillisation of Europe.

The article emphasises that, according to the declarations of the leaders of the western powers, States neighbouring on Rumania must now realise that the effort to establish good friendly relations among one another is now much more expedient than the insistence on stubborn demands. — Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN VIEW OF BRITISH GUARANTEES

Rome, To-day.

The Anglo-French guarantee of Greece and Rumania is commented on unfavourably by the Italian press.

"Gazetta del Popolo" says Mr. Chamberlain's speech has created an unfavourable impression.

"It was not the former brilliant and courageous ambassador of peace who spoke but a timid defendant faced by an openly hostile House," the paper alleges.

Mr. Chamberlain spoke "with melancholy resignation of a man who for the second time had to repudiate his peace policy and substitute for it a dangerous policy of adventure." — Trans-Ocean.

MOTHERWELL LOSE AT HOME

London, To-day.
Playing at home yesterday, Motherwell lost to Falkirk by a goal to none. In the Second Division, in the Second Division, playing at home, by a goal to 1. — Trans-Ocean.

America Will Have Its Voice In Ordering Of World Affairs

REMARKABLE ROOSEVELT STATEMENT

Washington, To-day.

"The tragic involvements of the old world" were referred to by President Roosevelt addressing the Board of the Pan-American Union yesterday.

The Americas, he said, were protected. "from the tragic involvements which to-day are making the old world a new cockpit of old struggles," owing to a new and powerful ideal—that of the community of nations—which sprang up at the same time that the Americas became free and independent.

That was the Pan-American group of nations, which worked in open conference and by open agreement.

"We hold our conferences not as the result of wars but as the result of our will to peace."

He asserted that there was no fatality which forced the old world towards a new catastrophe. Men were not prisoners of fate but only prisoners of their own minds.

Only a few days ago the head of a great nation had referred to his country as the prisoner of the Mediterranean.

A little later, another chief of State, on learning that a neighbouring country had agreed to defend the independence of another neighbour, characterised that agreement as a threat and encirclement!

CRIMINAL DREAMS

Yet there were no such things as encircling or threatening or imprisoning any peaceful nation by other peaceful nations.

The President condemned "dreams of conquest" as "ridiculous and criminal."

He proceeded: "The American peace which we celebrate to-day has no quality of weakness in it. We are prepared to maintain it and defend it to the fullest extent of our strength, matching force to force if any attempt is made to subvert our institutions or impair the independence of any of our group.

"Should the method of attack be economic pressure, I pledge that my country will also give economic support, so that no American nation need surrender any fraction of its sovereign freedom to maintain its economic welfare."

President Roosevelt said the American family of nations may also rightfully claim now to speak to the rest of the world.

AMERICAN RIGHT

"We have an interest wider than that of mere defence of our sea-ringed continent.

"The economic functioning of the world becomes increasingly a unit. No interruption of it anywhere can fail in the future to disrupt the economic life everywhere.

"The next generation will be concerned with the methods by which the new world can live together with the old.

"We have a right to say that there shall not be any organisation of world affairs which permits us

no choice but to turn our countries into barracks unless we are vassals of some conquering empire.

"The truest defence of peace in our hemisphere must always lie in the hope that sister nations beyond the seas will break the bonds of ideas which constrain them towards perpetual warfare.

"We too have a stake in world affairs.

"Our will to peace can be as powerful as our will to mutual defence if we can command greater loyalty, devotion and discipline to that enlisted elsewhere for temporary conquest or equally futile glory.

LIVING MESSAGE

"It will have its voice in determining the order of world affairs. This is the living message which the new world sends to the old."

President Roosevelt said he was still confident that the Republics of the new world could help the old world to avert the catastrophe which impended.

Referring to the "encirclement" protests of the totalitarian States, President Roosevelt recalled the assurance he gave Canada last year that the United States would join in defending that Dominion against an attack from overseas.

Then later, at Lima, the American nations joined in a declaration that they would co-ordinate their common efforts to defend the integrity of their institutions from any attack, direct or indirect.

"Yet in no case did the American nations regard any of these undertakings as making any one of them a prisoner or as encircling any American country or as a threat of any sort or kind.

"Measures of this kind taken in this hemisphere are taken as guarantees not of war but of peace, for the simple reason that no nation in this hemisphere has any will to aggression or any desire to establish dominance or mastery."

HUN METHODS

If that process could be successful here, he said, was it too much to hope that a similar process might be a success elsewhere?

"Do we really have to assume that the nations can find no better methods of realising their destinies than those which were used by the Huns and Vandals hundreds

INDIA GETTING NERVOUS

Bombay, To-day.
Insurance companies have quadrupled war risk rates for goods shipped from India to Europe.—Reuter.

NEWMARKET RACING RESULTS

London, To-day.
The Craven Stakes, run over a mile at Newmarket yesterday, resulted as follows:

Signal Light (8 to 1)	1
Fox Cub (9 to 4)	2
Bold Devil (20 to 1)	3

Thirteen ran. Won by a head, with four lengths between second and third.

FREE HANDICAP

The following was the result of the Free Handicap, run yesterday:

Solar Cloud (6 to 1)	1
Statute (7 to 1)	2
Lapford (100 to 7)	3

Twenty-nine ran. Won by half a length, head between second and third. — Reuter.

TSENGSHING BURNS: STREET BATTLE

Yungyun, To-day.

Tsengshing was turned into a raging inferno yesterday when Chinese and Japanese troops engaging in heavy street fighting set rows of houses ablaze. Huge columns of fire and smoke were seen for miles around. The outcome of the bloody engagement is yet unknown.

While attacking Tsengshing, the Chinese prevented the arrival of Japanese reinforcements. Troops dispatched from Shektan, to the relief of their comrades in Tsengshing, were intercepted and driven back after several hours' fighting.

Japanese troops, counter-attacking at Sunkai, 17 miles north of Canton, were repulsed.—Central News.

LANDING DENIAL

Macao, To-day.

Official Chinese messages received here last night deny the reported landing attempt at Heung Chau.

Increased military movements by the Japanese are taking place north and east of Canton.

Thousands of Japanese soldiers are being assembled at Fatshan and Samshui. Tsengshing has been occupied by the Chinese and sharp fighting is reported in the vicinity of Fa-Hsien.

The Japanese expect a major counter-offensive from the west and north of Canton.—Our Own Correspondent.

Crime Against Europe, Says Nazi Newspaper

Berlin, To-day.

WHAT the British policy had done to Poland and intends to do to Greece and Rumania is nothing less than a crime against Europe," declares the "Volkischer Beobachter" commenting on Mr. Chamberlain's House of Commons' statement.

"Who gives this nation," asks the National Socialist organ, "the right to play the role of the moral and political arbitrator in five continents?"

There remains solely the fact that the English insular people took advantage of the period when the European continent was torn by internal dissension to gain by robbery an Empire which is as profitable as it is multicoloured.

Let the English retain their Empire

of years ago!

Is it really whether our civilization is to be dragged into the tragic vortex of unending militarism punctuated by periodic wars, or whether we shall be able to maintain the ideal of peace and individual civilisation as the fabric of our lives?"—Reuter.

We do not envy them at all since we Germans are a homely folk and at present are fully engaged in Central Europe.

“QUITE FED UP”

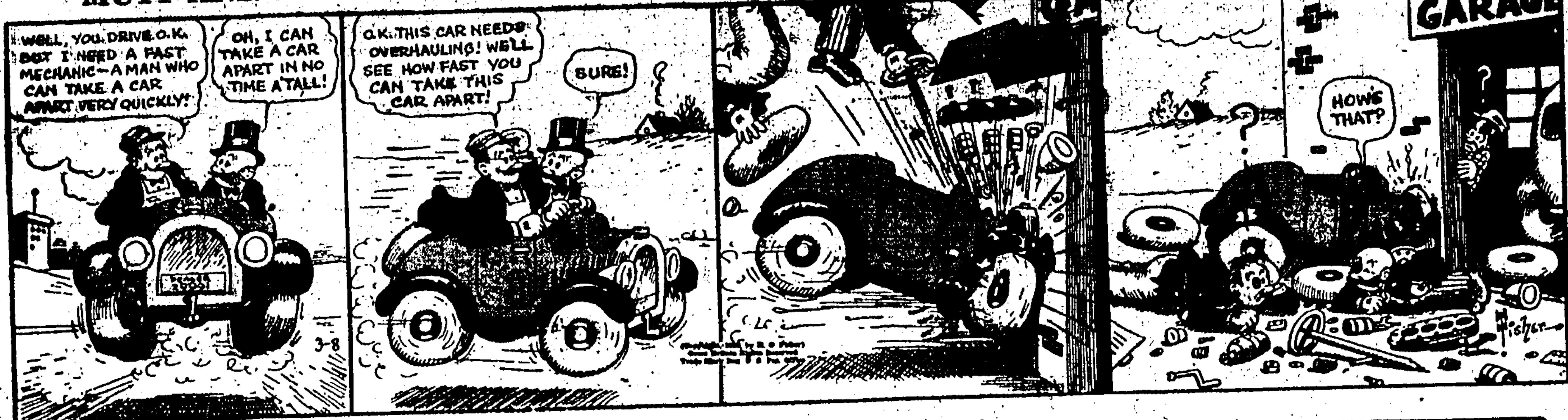
But we and our Italian friends are quite fed up with having to face time and again this convulsive British claim to world domination which has caused in Europe nothing but a needless tension, has boycotted natural developments and brought harmless peoples in a position from which they and not the British have to pay a penalty when it comes to extricating themselves.

Just how unscrupulous the obstinate war-mongers on the Thames really are could not be better revealed than by their undisguised efforts to get bloodstained Bolsheviks lined up in their humanitarian front."—Trans-Ocean.

By BUD FISHER

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MUTT AND JEFF



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IRON-CLAD

ON the train going west, Freda thought it all out. She must never, no matter what the circumstances, let them guess that she had an inferiority complex. Somehow she would have to build up a defence that was iron-clad. Of course, when you considered the matter, especially if you were a stranger, you never would have dreamed that a girl who had just captured first prize in the biggest beauty contest ever held in the East and was now on her way to Hollywood with good chances of becoming a movie star,

"Know him?" she had laughed. "The dear boy! He bought me a diamond so big it was too heavy to wear. And he was quite serious about it, too." And into Craig Franklin's eyes had come a hurt look, a very definite look of self-consciousness and inferiority.

Craig tried now, as she had been trying for five days, to convince herself that whatever Craig Franklin thought didn't matter. He had been extremely nice to her, but this was his job. He was head of publicity at Pinnacle Studios and he had to be nice to everyone. It was a break for a man in Craig's position to have such nice eyes and a nice smile and to be so kindly. They were his stock in trade.

At last the day arrived when the tests were made. There followed a period of anguished waiting, of trying to appear composed. She was glad to have Craig Franklin with her those days. His mere presence created a soothing effect.

Then came the most important morning of all. A representative of the studio went to her hotel. He tried to smile pleasantly, but Freda knew. She knew with an awful sinking sensation that all of her scheming and planning and hoping had failed. Her past had found her out. The lesser quality of her beauty hadn't escaped the eyes of those experts. Someone else had been chosen.

By Meredith Scholl

sessed of undeniable charm and appeal. Had they been more beautiful than she? Had her father's famous name and prodigious wealth influenced the judges?

That was the beginning of her inferiority complex; that was why she knew she'd have to build up an iron-clad defence. Before the train reached Chicago she had it all figured out. She would give the impression, without boasting, that she was tremendously popular, that men were mad about her, that she had turned down all sorts of offers in order to make this trip. The psychological reaction would be inevitable. Being thought of as desirable would enhance her beauty.

A neat and very efficient young man met the train at Pasadena. Freda was surprised to discover that two of her competitors had been in forward cars. Her heart sank a little when she saw them. They were terrific.

To Freda's surprise she discovered during the next two weeks that her plan was working. This was a period in which the five contestants for the role were entertained and exploited by Hollywood officials and celebrities. They visited all the famous night-clubs, went on a tour of inspection of the studios, spent a week-end at Palm Springs and were photographed hundreds and hundreds of times.

Freda loved it, could almost at times forget her fear. Whenever the opportunity offered, which was often, she wanted you for his own that I didn't skillfully unobtrusively planted her think I had a chance. If you hadn't seeds. Before a week had passed she told me this. I never would have asked you to marry me. Will you, Freda? She was popular, desired, an enchantress.

Only once did she have any regrets. Nothing else mattered now. "Yes!" And then not because of the general effect she was creating. It was when died if you hadn't asked me." Craig Franklin asked her if she knew Dana Driggs back in Philadelphia. "Which was all she wanted, really.

"Yes!" she cried joyously. "Oh, I would have asked her if you hadn't asked me." (Copyright 1939 by The Associated Newspapers)

LESS SCEPTICISM SHOWN BY SOVIET

Chamberlain Statement Printed With Comment

Officials Look More Closely At British Aims

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet press published Mr. Neville Chamberlain's House of Commons speech in detail but without comment.

The Soviet spokesman declined to comment but indicated that there is somewhat less scepticism in Russia as to the efficacy of the new line of British policy of blocking the aggression that has prevailed since the Munich Agreement.

JAPANESE VERSION OF KAIFENG COUP

Peiping, To-day.

The report of the assassination in the provincial capital of Kaifeng of Chinese members of the Pacification Committee, set up by the Japanese for the whole province of Honan, appears to have been incorrect.

According to the latest information the members of the Committee were abducted by the Chinese auxiliary troops embodied in the Japanese army who mutinied on Easter Sunday when, under the command of the "Christian General" Feng Yu-hsiang, 600 Chinese irregulars attacked Kaifeng.

In the course of the following night, Japanese reports declare, the Chinese received reinforcements particularly mortars and light machine guns.

On Easter Monday, the Chinese troops forced their way into the southern part of the town, seizing the aerodrome of Kaifeng, but were later driven out by the Japanese who had also received reinforcements.

The position looked critical on the night of April 15, but the Japanese troops managed to hold their lines against the opponents, mostly in uniforms of the regular Chinese army. — Trans-Ocean.

In Belgrade, the Yugo-Slav capital, the declarations by Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier, the French Premier, have been enthusiastically received by the public, though there is no official comment.

Mr. Chamberlain's statement has made an extremely good impression in Athens.

GREEKS DELIGHTED

The Greek public is delighted at Britain's new policy, which it is thought is working against the evils of a destructive and disastrous war.

The speech is prominently displayed in the Greek press, but without editorial comment. — Reuter.

JAPANESE WOLFRAM MONOPOLY

Canton, To-day.

The wolfram and antimony monopoly in South China has been divided between three Japanese firms, according to an announcement issued by headquarters of the Japanese army in South China.

The concerns granted the exclusive right to collect wolfram and antimony are the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Mitsubishi Shoji Kaisha, and Sugihara Sangyo Kaisha. — Reuter.

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IRAQ PIPELINE PUNCTURED

Amman, To-day.

The Iraq oil pipeline was punctured and ignited on Thursday on the east side of the Jordan Valley by an Arab frontier band.

After an action by the Government forces the Arabs were driven off and the pipeline repaired. — Reuter.

BASEBALL

League Starts Next Month

Six teams were registered for the Hong Kong Baseball League at the meeting held at Brook Club yesterday. The teams were:

Hong Kong Baseball Club, Chinese Baseball Club, U.S.S. Mindanao, Club de Recreio, Union Brewery and South China A.A.

Teams will not be allowed to play in the League until the fees have been paid, the closing date for which is May 1.

The League commences on May 6 with a game between the Union Brewery and Club de Recreio, at 2.30 p.m.

Balls will be standardised, and must be purchased from the League.

LAWN BOWLS

FRIENDLY MATCHES

Among the friendly games and teams for to-day are:

Kowloon C.C. v Civil Service C.C.
Kowloon Tong v Kowloon F.C.
K.C.C.

V. C. Labrum, J. W. M. Brown, H. Nish and F. Goodwin (Skip).
J. Fraser, T. A. Madar, H. Overy and E. C. Fincher (Skip).

Geo. Lee, W. Mulcahy, W. Hyde and E. Kern (Skip).
A. C. Tribble, W. Naef, W. G. Bowden and T. W. Carr (Skip).

A. E. Perry, F. E. Nash, R. Meadows and J. Hyde (Skip).
W. H. Hobbs, P. A. Murphy, T. A. Madar and W. W. Hirst (Skip).

Reserves:—W. Patersen, W. Nash, T. A. Fabel, T. B. M. Connolly and H. F. Shields.

C.S.C.C.

A. Steven, V. Ebbage, C. Strange and S. Eccleshall (Skip).
R. R. Davies, F. Harper, A. Grinnell and J. Hollidge (Skip).

F. Austin, L. Crawley, E. W. Simmonds and M. N. Rakusen (Skip).
M. E. Purvis, J. R. Carr, H. Strange and F. Haynes (Skip).

F. W. Hopkins, R. R. Wood, W. J. Burling and A. B. Allan (Skip).
T. Seddon, B. B. Weeks, L. Collyer and J. Deakin (Skip).

Kowloon Tong

C. Mose, J. Tang, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (Skip).
A. E. Castro, H. Y. Hsu, Y. Abba and A. H. Basto (Skip).

T. N. Gregory, J. N. Wong, V. Atienza and H. Gittins (Skip).

good thought and deed, will help us to understand Jesus' atonement for us and aid its efficacy; but if the sinner continues to pray and repent, sin can be sorry, he has little part in the atonement—in the at-one-ment with God, for he lacks the practical repentance which reforms the heart and enables man to do the will of wisdom". (Par. 18, 1-5 & 19, 16-24).

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MIRROR OF OPINION

This history might have been very different had a just peace been made after the World War. Or had the United States lent its great strength to the League of Nations. Or had Britain and America ratified their agreement to support France—even as they are now doing—easing her fears and possibly saving the French effort to build up an encircling chain of alliances around Germany. Or had there been a firmer stand over Manchuria, Ethiopia or Spain. Or had Russia not pressed a world revolution, fear of which still gives Fascism support in democratic countries. Or had a firm stand against aggression and threats been combined at any time with more statesman-like measures to open up the avenues of trade and remove economic pressures making for war. But "might have beens" are of value now only as indicators of what may be.

Behind and above the excitements and manoeuvres of power politics those with eyes to see can perceive the ideals of peace and justice toward which men, by the very nature of their true being, must strive. At such times as this when brute force and unreason appear to hold sway man may be more ready to turn to religion and to the basic facts of man's spiritual brotherhood. Only by such turning will the peace that all desire be put in place of the juggling and superficial pacification of power politics.—"Christian Science Monitor."

When President Roosevelt spoke of "lifting democracy high above the ugly truculence of autocracy," he was expressing the unanimous determination of the whole English-speaking world. In that sense France has become an integral part of the English-speaking world. It hates war; but will not brook aggression.—"The Observer."

The Ukrainians of Poland are responding readily to agitation coming from Carpatho-Ukraine under the patronage of Germany. The memory of Austrian favour makes them naturally pro-German; they see no hope of a free national life except through sep-

aration from Poland; and the Ukrainian middle class in the towns would provide the social basis for a state of Fascist type subservient to Germany. In the Polish Ukraine the landlords, the officials and the bigger capitalists are Poles; but the Ukrainian petite bourgeoisie is large enough to take the lead in the nationalist movement.

In the Soviet Ukraine, on the other hand, both the landlords and the middle class have been eliminated, and a new kind of society has been created in which State officials have taken the place of the upper social strata of former times. This social order has given rise to conflicts of a new kind, but these are no longer definable in terms of nationality. It cannot be said that there is a struggle of Ukrainian against Russian comparable to that of Ukrainian against Pole.

The Soviet Ukraine is the part of the U.S.S.R. where genuinely democratic tendencies are strongest, but just for that reason it is the least suitable for Nazi penetration. Herr Hitler can find as many friends as he needs in the Polish Ukraine, but if he seeks them farther east he is more likely to be successful in Moscow itself than in Kiev.—"Economist."

We see serious danger that the effrontery and insult of the Nazi gathering at Madison Square Garden may cause public opinion to reach wrong conclusions as to what are the proper limitations upon the right of free speech and free assembly.

A fundamental distinction needs to be noted. If speakers at a meeting incite to violence on the part of their listeners, they most certainly violate the law and can and should be suppressed. The right of free speech includes no right to conspire to break the peace, whether through local disorder or upon a revolutionary scale. But the threat of violence by outsiders, stirred to opposition by what is said at the meeting, is a wholly different matter. If a community surrenders the right of free speech before such threats and risks, the right becomes valueless and milling crowds are administering the law and the Constitution instead of the courts and the police.—"New York Herald Tribune."

Dr. Schacht's dismissal from the presidency of the Reichsbank came eventually as a surprise. It is reasonable to assume that his departure heralds some change of plan.

Herr Funk, who succeeds him, was originally recommended to Herr Hitler in 1930 by Dr. Schacht himself. At that time he was a spokesman for the steel industry. He has an enthusiasm for bureaucratic controls over industry and capital; and as such he is regarded with particular apprehension by the great capitalists whom he used to serve. Their fate has indeed grown curious. It was they, largely, who brought Herr Hitler into power. They funded him when he had no money, and supplied the wherewithal for his party's mass-meeting expansion in 1930-32. But, once he attained power, they were soon dispensed with, and they watch helplessly while the very system of Socialistic control, which they dreaded from Bolshevism and paid Herr Hitler to avoid, is imposed upon them by Herr Hitler's party.—"Sunday Times."

MORE AIRCRAFT NEEDED FOR NEW FIELD FORCE

Heavy Call On The R.A.F. In War

BIG EXPANSION LIKELY

An increase in the latest R.A.F. expansion programme is likely to be necessitated by the Government's decision to create a field force of 19 divisions available for service overseas if required.

The programme announced in May, 1938, aims at providing 2,370 first-line machines at home by March, 1940.

It has been officially announced on several occasions that this programme is to be accelerated and expanded, though to what extent has not been precisely indicated.

There are now seven regular, and two auxiliary, army co-operation squadrons in England. These were sufficient for the peace-time training of the Army, and for a small expeditionary force of, perhaps, two divisions on the outbreak of war and two others some months later.

They are totally inadequate for a field force of the size now envisaged which, when fully deployed, would require about 25 army co-operation squadrons.

BOMBERS REQUIRED

A considerable number of fighters would also be needed to protect the Army co-operation machines and the base at which the field force disembarked. A number of medium range bomber squadrons would undoubtedly be needed to attack troop concentrations and lines.

It would probably be impracticable to count on the French being able to supply such machines and, if special provision for them was not made, they would have to be obtained by withdrawing squadrons from the fighter and air striking forces now intended for the defence of England.

Major-General A. C. Temperley pointed out that some four months must elapse before the Territorial divisions of the field force would be ready to take the field. It is possible that a major operation, such as the despatch of a large expeditionary force to France could not, in any event, be undertaken in face of air opposition until the first phases of air warfare had passed and some degree of air superiority had been obtained.

The 13 Territorial divisions might, therefore, be able to rely on cadre Auxiliary Air Force Army co-operation squadrons, which would be fully manned and trained by the time the divisions were able to leave.

GERMAN STRENGTH

Apart from the Air Force problems arising from the creation of this large field force, it has been apparent for some time that the 1938 programme of 2,370 machines at home will not suffice to fulfil Earl Baldwin's pledge that "in air strength and in air power this country shall no longer be in a position inferior to any country within striking distance of our shores."

Major-General Sir Frederick Sykes, a former Chief of the Air Staff, suggested last April that Germany had between 2,500 and 3,000 first-line aircraft.

It would be most unwise to assume that Germany will have fewer than 4,000, excluding ship-borne machines, by the end of this month, when according to official statements, the British 1938 programme of 1,750 aircraft, at home will be achieved. This figure excludes the Fleet Air Arm, but includes 20 Auxiliary Air Force squadrons which, efficient as they are, should not really be counted as the equivalent of full-time regular units.

FORCES COMPARED

A reasonable estimate, based on the Air Force List and such information about the German Air Force as is obtainable, of the different types of aeroplanes in Bri-



Fredric March, who stars opposite Joan Bennett in "Trade Winds," now showing at the King's Theatre.

tish and German operational units at the end of March, would be:

	Germany	Britain
Bombers	1,500	750
Fighters	1,200	600
Army co-operation	800	175
General reconnaissance	500	225
	4,000	1,750

There is, therefore, every reason to suppose that the Government has in mind very much large additions to the 1938 programme than any yet indicated in official announce-

TEA WITH MADAME CHIANG

Twelve prominent local Chinese women, representing the Hong Kong Branch of the National Women's Relief Association and the National Association for the Care of War Orphans were entertained at tea by Mme. Chiang Kai-shek on Thursday afternoon.

The delegates reported on the work of their organizations after which Mme. Chiang gave a talk on the progress of relief work in the interior. She revealed that a new nation-wide body, the New Life Women's War Service Corps, had been formed. This corps consists of girl middle-school graduates who assist in nursing the wounded, writing letters for the illiterate, and generally adding comfort and interest to the life of China's injured fighters.

As a result of yesterday's conference, the National Women's Relief Association in Hong Kong undertook to support two teams of the Corps, while the Hong Kong Chinese Women's Soldiers' Relief Association will also finance a group. The cost of keeping a team in the Interior is \$400 a month.

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WEIDMANN FOR THE GUILLOTINE.—After seventeen days trial, Eugen Weidmann and Roger Million were found guilty of six murders and sentenced to death at Versailles. Unless an appeal succeeds they will be guillotined in public in the cobble-stoned street outside the courthouse. Photo shows Weidmann, head in hands, awaiting the sentence of the court.



THE BELGIAN ARMY ON MANOEUVRES.—Despite the serious situation at the moment in Europe, the Belgian Army are carrying out their usual manoeuvres. Photograph shows tanks of the 10th Division well camouflaged during the Manoeuvres at Quaedmechelen.



THE SIXTH SENSE.—Mr. Paul Graham, endowed with the sense of seeing although his eyes are completely covered, has just demonstrated the fact by walking blind-folded on the parapet of the Plaza roof in Regent-street. Photo shows Mr. Paul Graham performing his amazing act watched by film and circus agents who were anxious to test the genuineness of his feat.

(At Right)—RUMANIAN TRAINING SHIP AT SOUTHAMPTON.—The Rumanian training ship Mireca has arrived at Southampton on her maiden voyage. Just completed at Hamburg she is bound for Rumania, and is only the third ship of the Rumanian Navy ever to visit a British port. Photo shows Cadets of the Mireca on the pictureque figurehead of one of the Rumanian Kings on arrival at Southampton.

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TEACH FITNESS. — Twenty young men, "perfect physical fitness" dressed in blue shorts and canvas film actors at the Shepherd's Bush studios of Gaumont International Films. They are taking part in the first of four film and propaganda films being made on behalf of the Film Council. The "actors" are all students from the City, Leeds, all fully trained gymnasts. Photo shows the "actors" carrying out their exercises before the film

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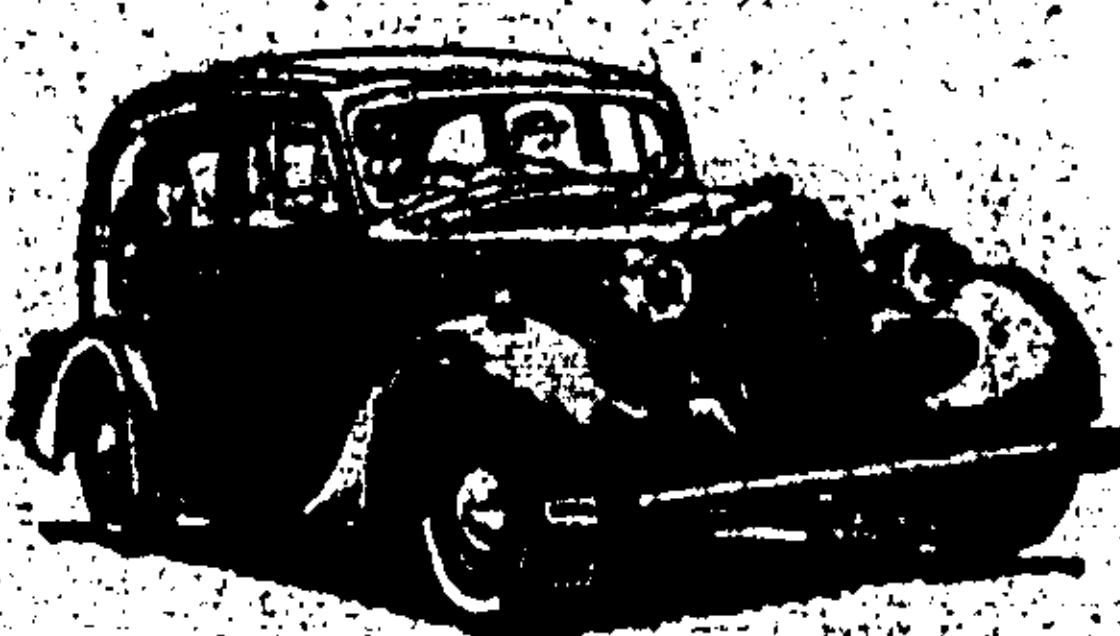
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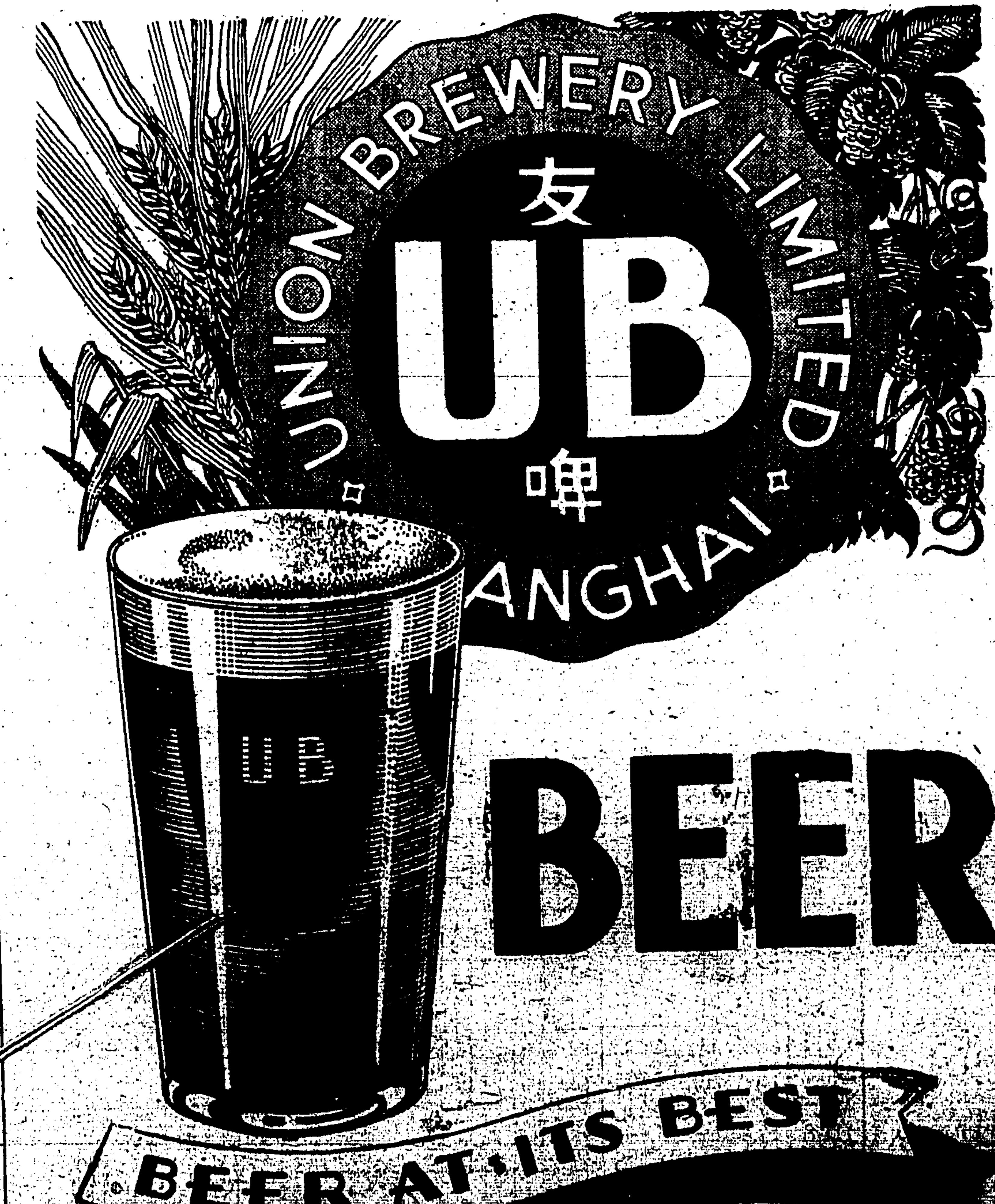
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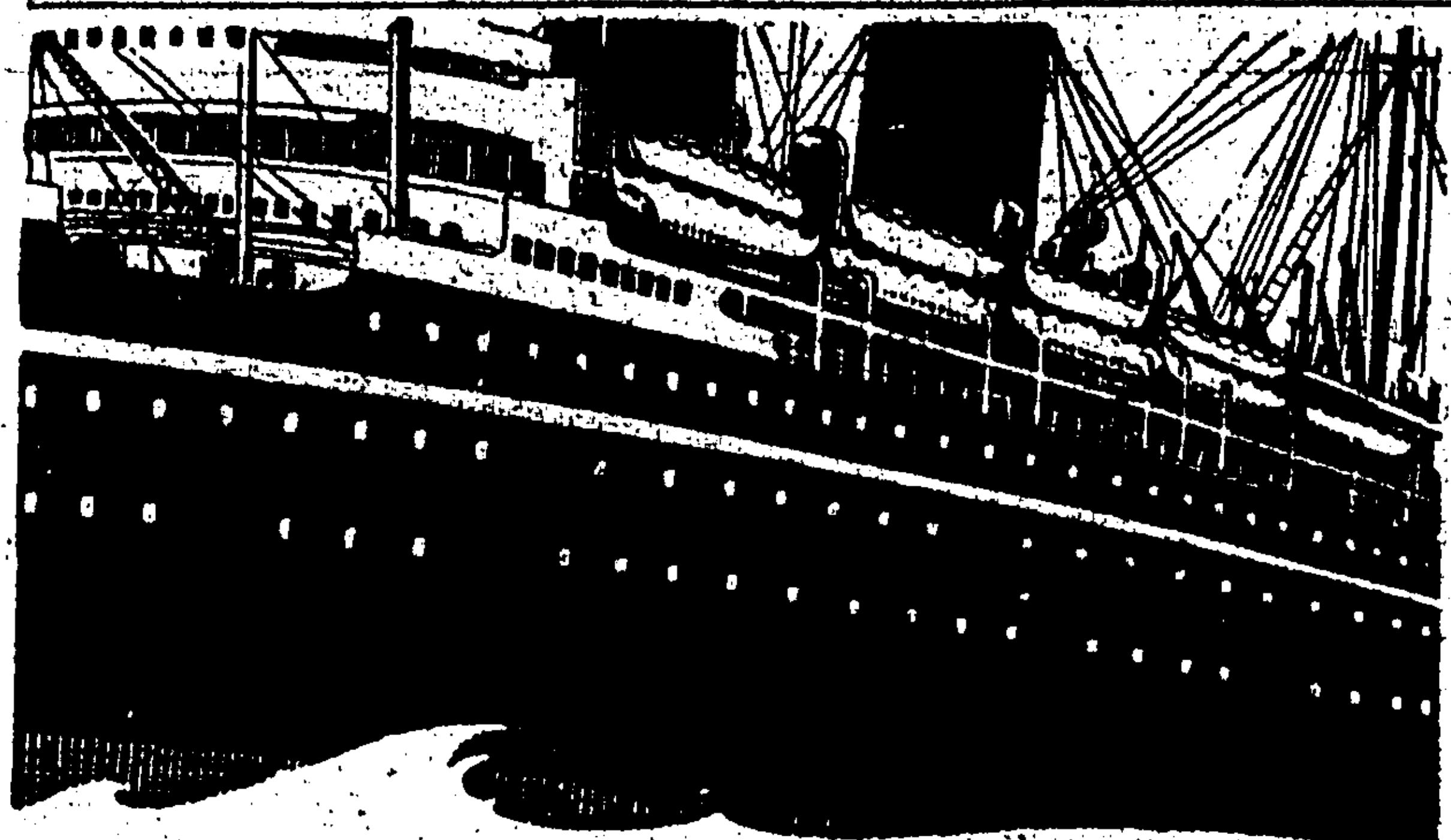


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MONDAY

Swatow	Kiungchow	Apr. 17, 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 24th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Apr. 17, K.P.O.
Reg., Ord.	Apr. 17, 5 p.m.	
Reg., Ord.	Apr. 17, 5.30 p.m.	
Reg., Ord.	Apr. 17, 5 p.m.	
Reg., Ord.	Apr. 17, 7 p.m.	
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 24th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Apr. 17, K.P.O.
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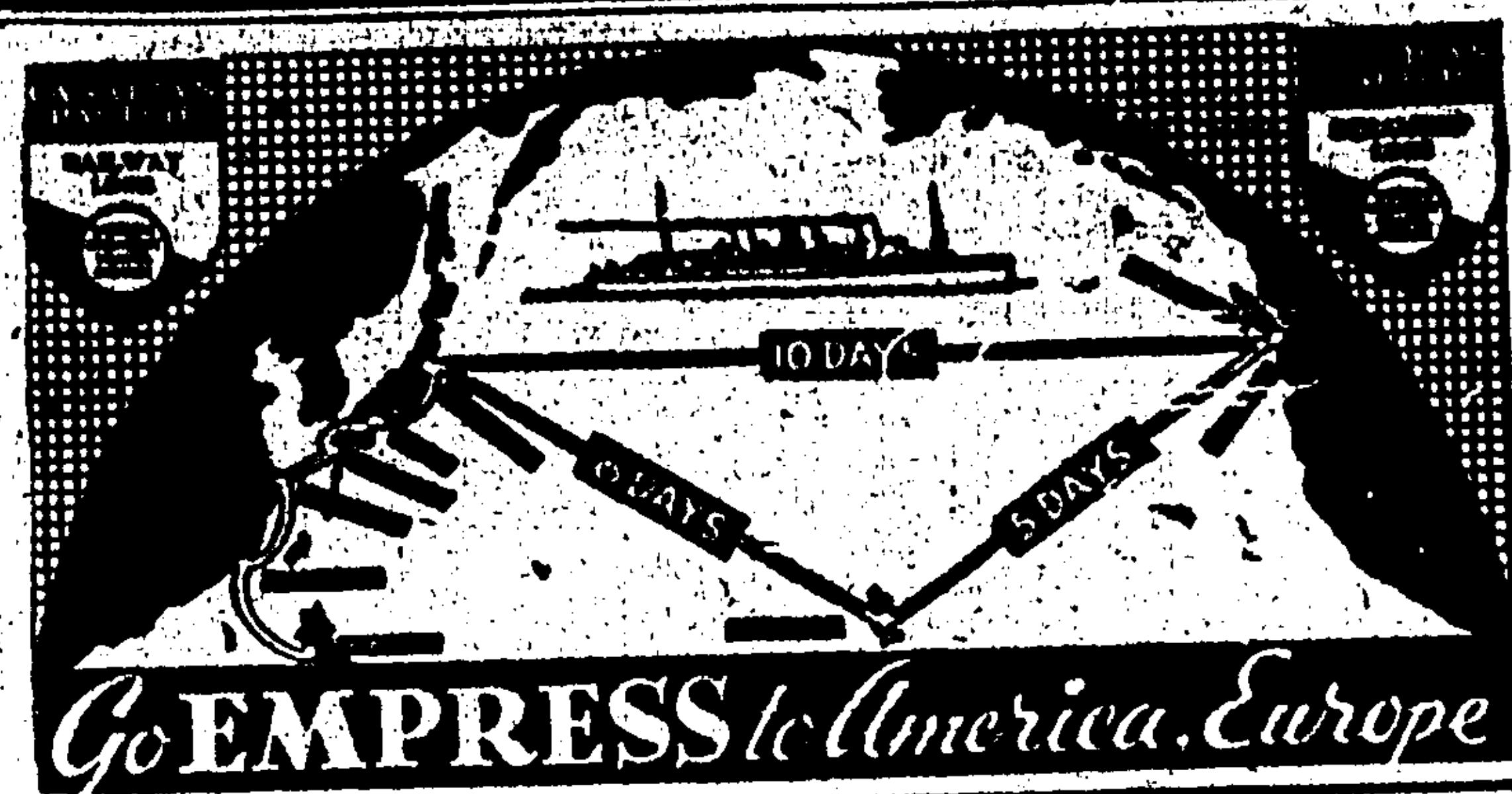
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Sir.—I should be grateful if you would allow me, through the medium of your paper, to express our sincere thanks to all those who in their various ways helped to assure the success of the Ball held last night in the Peninsula Hotel in aid of the funds of the Society for the Protection of Children.

First and foremost we have to thank you, Sir, for the publicity which you have so generously given us and without which it would have been difficult to make our arrangements known to the public.

We are also greatly indebted to Messrs. Gestetner (Easterh) Ltd. Ye. Olde Printerie and to Mrs. W. C. C. Shewan as well as to all those who subscribed to the programme, to the ladies who sold it for us and to the many who helped in the vital task of selling tickets.

To the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. we tender our thanks for the late ferry which they were good enough to provide free of charge and to the following firms who kindly provided prizes:-

Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor and Co. Ltd. Marcel Bakery, the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd. Ching Shan Chan and the Management of the Kings', the Queens' and the Cathay Cinemas respectively.

Finally we wish to thank the Manager and staff of the Peninsula Hotel on whom the onus of the work fell, Mr. Carneiro, his fellow instrumentalists and the Dance Orchestra of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, and to Miss O'Keefe and her group of talented dancers who contributed so greatly to the enjoyment of our guests and whose polished performance bore testimony to hours of hard work spent in rehearsing.

The net amount by which the Society has profited will be published as soon as possible. Meanwhile we venture to express the hope that the realization that they were co-operating in very necessary work for the needy children of the Colony, added to the enjoyment of all those who attended the Ball.

I am, etc.

DOROTHY G. OVERALL
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Pte. H. W. Bonner.	

PARADES

1ST BATTERY RIGHT SECTION

Friday, 21st April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
Miniature Range.

LEFT SECTION

Thursday, 20th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
Squad drill.

2ND BATTERY

Wednesday, 19th April. H. Q. Lecture Room. 5.30 p.m. Lecture—Defence against gas.

ENGINEER COMPANY

D.E.L. SECTION

Sunday, 16th April. Firing on Peak Range is cancelled.

Monday, 17th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. training.

Thursday, 20th April. H. Q. 5.20 p.m. for Kennedy Road Range.

LYON LIGHT SECTION

Monday, 17th April. H. Q. 5.45 p.m.
L. L. revision.

Thursday, 20th April. H. Q. 5.45 p.m. Miniature Range.

CORPS SIGNALS

Tuesday, 18th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
Signal training.

MACHINE GUN SECTION

Tuesday, 18th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
M. G. training.

ARMOURED CAR SECTION

Tuesday, 18th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
M. G. training.

PARADES

MOTOR MACHINE GUN PLATOON

Friday, 21st April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
Anti-gas training.

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Friday, 21st April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
M. G. training.

NO. 2 M. G. COMPANY

Thursday, 20th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m.
M. G. training.

NO. 3 M. G. COMPANY

Sunday, 16th April. Peak Range. 9.20 a.m. Those detailed, musketry. Dress—optional.

Monday, 17th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed will parade at Kennedy Road Range for musketry. Remainder, E.G.D. and I.A.

NO. 4 M. G. COMPANY

Sunday, 16th April. Stonecutters. Rifle Table A. No. 15 Platoon. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier 8.45 a.m. Dress—optional but musketry order must be worn. Range Officer—2/Lt. C. Austin.

Wednesday, 19th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. (i) No. 13 Platoon. Section drill direct. (ii) No. 14 Platoon, I. A. Those detailed for Kennedy Road Range parade at 5.15 p.m. (iii) No. 15 Platoon. Those detailed, musketry. Remainder, section drill direct.

Friday, 21st April. Those detailed for Kennedy Road Range parade at 5.15 p.m.

Saturday, 22nd April. Kwong Chow Hotel. 8 p.m. Company dinner.

Sunday, 23rd April. Peak Range. 9.30 a.m. Those detailed only.

PORTUGUESE COMPANIES

Tuesday, 18th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. (i) No. 6 M. G. Company. N.C.O.'s, Part 1. M. G. (2nd Section). Remainder Night firing. (ii) A.A. Company, anti-gas training.

MACHINE GUN SIGNALS

Monday, 17th April. H. Q. 5.20 p.m. Line and Operating Section. Line work.

Tuesday, 18th April. H. Q. 5.20 p.m. Mechanical class.

Wednesday, 19th April. Anti-gas training.

Wednesday,

TENNIS**Army Pair Fail To Turn Up**

Owing to the non-appearance of Capt. F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky, Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing were awarded a walk-over into the semi-finals of the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday.

Neither Lecky nor Nottingham had indicated that they would not be turning up and, in addition to inconveniencing their opponents, who indulged in a prolonged knock-up, disappointed a large crowd.

Ho and Lee later had a friendly game with T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman, who were playing on an adjoining court.

Results of other games:—

Club Championship
E. E. Storey beat V. R. Gordon 6—3, 6—4.

Club Handicap Singles
H. J. Armstrong (—15) beat T. J. Price (—1.6) 6—0, 8—6.

Local Team's Success In Indo-China: Fine All-Round Displays

Hanoi, Wednesday.

The Eastern Athletic Association opened their brief tour in Tonkin when on April 7, they defeated the Combined Army, by 4 goals to 1.

The home team were strong in defence, but their forwards could make no impression on the Eastern defence. The Army team was heavier but did not use their weight to any advantage and their combination in the forward line left much to be desired.

Their outstanding players were their goalkeeper and two backs.

Eastern combined well in attack and used their wingers well.

The game opened with the visiting team attacking and the Army were penned in their own half. The opening goal was scored after 16 minutes play when Tso Chow-ting, on the left wing, cut in and sent in a hard drive. The greater part of the first half consisted of a duel between the Army defence and the visiting attack.

In the second half Cheung Kam-

Another Easy Victory

In their second game, Eastern easily beat a Hanoi selected team by three clear goals, before a large crowd.

The home team were outplayed in all departments and but for the fine goal-keeping of the Hanoi goalkeeper the score would have been doubled.

Lee Tak-kee, Hu Man-fui and Tso Chow-ting scored for Eastern.

Held To Draw

Eastern were forced to share 10 goals in their third game with Hanoi's "A" team and of these four were from penalties.

An interesting incident occurred

ERROR IN SOFTBALL AVERAGES

(By GRANDSTAND")

I regret that an error occurred in my fielding average published in the "China Mail" on Thursday. A. V. Goeano, of Recreio, was shown as having an average of .999, whereas his actual figures work out at .909.

Individual honours therefore go to "Nippy" Lum of the Chinese Baseball Club with .975.

in their game when Lee Tak-kee in taking a penalty hit the goalkeeper and from the rebound scored. The referee awarded a goal-kick but after the Eastern players appealed for the correct interpretation of the laws of the game he reversed his decision.

Lee Tak-kee (two) penalties, Hu Man-fui and Chung Kam-hoi scored for Eastern.

The following were the results of games played.

v Tonkin French Army	4—1
v Hanoi "B"	3—0
v Hanoi "A"	5—5

Our Own Correspondent.

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Counties To Take Action Against Over Prepared Wickets



The "Flying cricket team" including R.E.S. Wyatt, F. R. Brown, D. F. Walker, R. D. de W. K. Winlaw, T. N. Pearce, A. G. Powell, C. H. Taylor, A. W. Childs-Clarke and A. P. Singleton, photographed at Croydon prior to leaving for a month's tour of Egypt. (Fox Copyright).

PROPOSAL BY M.C.C. TO BE ACCEPTED

London, March 29.

A move is to be made at last to even-up the balance between bat and ball in first-class cricket matches by dealing with the problem of the over-prepared wicket.

The Advisory County Cricket Committee yesterday at Lord's accepted a proposal by the M.C.C. that the question of the preparation of wickets was one which required the attention of the counties. They accordingly agreed to the suggestion of the M.C.C. made in the following terms:

Before each season all counties will instruct their groundmen that the ideal wicket is one which makes the conditions equal as between batsmen and bowlers without being dangerous.

Under no circumstances should wickets be prepared so as to favour the batsman unduly.

Counties will give instructions that all wickets will be prepared with this object in view.

County Committees will accept the responsibility for any criticism of wickets, and will inform their groundmen and the players of this.

This move, which will extend to all wickets used in first-class cricket, including those for Test matches, met with genuine and general agreement among those present at the meeting, over which Lord Baldwin presided.

Registration of County Players

A scheme for the registration of County cricketers, aiming at ensuring the more rapid qualification of certain categories of cricketers, will be in force during the coming season. This was another decision reached by the Advisory Committee yesterday.

When certain formalities have been complied with, a cricketer may go straight from one county to another. Adequate safeguards have been introduced against the poaching of players in this new registration scheme, which has been embodied within the framework of the existing rules of County cricket.

The M.C.C. Committee, or a special sub-committee which they may appoint for the purpose, will act as a tribunal empowered to register cricketers of the following categories:

(1) A cricketer not required by a county (or counties) for which he is qualified.

(2) A recognised English amateur returning from overseas, either, for temporary or permanent residence;

(3) A cricketer having special family associations with a county for which he requires to be registered, such as a cricketer whose father has played regularly for a county for not less than five years, and a cricketer whose well-established family home is in a particular county;

(4) A cricketer who has no qualification for any county, excluding one whose permanent home is, or has been at any time during twenty-four months, outside the United Kingdom.

The whole report was accepted, except for a clause of special importance to the minor counties, who are to have an opportunity of considering this rule before it is operated.

Important Proviso

An important proviso in this new registration scheme is that the county desiring to obtain the services of a cricketer must furnish the written consent of the county for which the player is already qualified. Further evidence must be produced that no valuable consideration has passed between the respective county clubs to bring about the registration. A satisfactory guarantee that reason-

able use is to be made of the services of the cricketer for whom such special registration is required, must also be given.

The new rules provide that a cricketer will be eligible to play for a county as soon as, but not until, the special registration has been approved.

The special committee who formulated the scheme stress that players at home should be protected against any accelerated qualification of players coming from overseas.

The new scheme requires the approval of the M.C.C. Committee, but this is regarded merely as a formality.

R.W. SHAW'S FUTURE

Reports circulated to the effect that R. W. Shaw (Glasgow High School F.P.), who has captained the Scottish Rugby team for the past two years, has decided to retire, are premature.

Shaw is to be married later in the year, but he has not as yet considered his plans for next season's Rugby.

RUGBY

French Invite To Schools

London, March 29.

Rosslyn Park R.F.C., who applied for permission to accept an invitation by the Université Club de Paris to send a Rosslyn Park Public Schools side to play a Paris public schools team in Paris during the Easter holidays, have been informed that the Home Unions consider such a match undesirable, pending a settlement of the negotiations between the Home Unions and the French Federation on the subject of the resumption of matches between France and the Home Counties.

This reply has been forwarded to Dr. H. J. Calvet, secretary of the Université Club de Paris.

It is now learned that M. Pierre Ohl, the representative of the Office de Sport Scolaire et Universitaire, governing body of French University and school sport, has written to the Rugby Union. M. Ohl asks if, in view of the recent favourable developments following upon the French Federation Committee's acceptance of the Home Unions' conditions, the decision regarding the proposed Edinburgh match could be reconsidered.

Other People's Views

The variety halls have had their fight against broadcasting. Now the Boxing Board and those connected with boxing have to study how to deal with television. I say that used wisely it can help rather than hurt boxing.— Norman Hurst.

The greatest asset to a Rugby team nowadays is an expert goal-kicker, which seems a sad commentary on more than 100 years of Rugby Union football "progress." — A Sporting Chronicle writer.

Heaps of players go through their Rugby careers, and even into internationals, and have never read a rule in their lives. Their blissful ignorance

in no way affects their Rugby. — A Daily Record writer.

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The Wolves are in the very happy position of being able to call upon an apparently never-ending supply of youngsters to fill first-team vacancies. But for this wealth of talent in reserve I would say the Wolves will find their quest of the double as impossible of accomplishment as Arsenal and Huddersfield did in their great years.— Frank Coles.

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Guldahl has declared he is coming over to get that guy Cotton. When Guldahl arrives Henry is ready to get down to brass tacks — as much brass as the American likes to put down.— A writer in the Star.

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Beautiful Garden of Roses (Dempsey & Schmid); Thora (Weatherley & Adams)...Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Melody In F, Op. 3, No. 1 (Rubinstein); Romance In E Flat, Op. 44, No. 1 (Rubinstein)...New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Thine Alone (Blossom & Herbert); When You're Away (Blossom & Herbert)...Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra.
The Mill In The Forest (Ellenberg), Monastery Bells (Wely)...New Light Symphony Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Primo Scala's Accordion Band.
Whistling Gipsy (from 'Command Performance').
There's A Gold Mine In The Sky (Kenny).
Medley. Intro: Alone; Poor Little Angeline; Goody Goody; The Touch of Your Lips; Three Minutes of Heaven; In a Little Rendezvous. She Came From Alsace Lorraine (Iida-Carr).
Don't Save Your Smiles (Davis-Fio Rito).
Meet Me Down In Sunset Valley (Gilbert).

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My Heaven In The Pines (Campbell-Conrad).
Hill-Billy Medley. Intro: The Last Round up; Will the Angels play their Harps for me? Home on the Range.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera: "Lilac Time"—Vocal Gems (Schubert—arr. Clutsam)...Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
"The Damask Rose"—Selection (Chopin themes, adapted by G. H. Clutsam)...Court Symphony Orch.
"The Bohemian Girl"—Vocal Gems (Balfe)...Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Backhaus at the Piano. Prelude And Study In C Major (Chopin); Chromatic Study In A Minor (Chopin); Revolutionary Study, Op. 10, No. 12 (Chopin); Study In F Major (Chopin); Waltz In E Flat, Op. 64, No. 1 (Chopin); Etude In G Major, Op. 10, No. 7 (Chopin); Waldestrauschen (Liszt).
6.15 p.m.—Dvorak—Symphony No. 2 In D Minor, Op. 70. Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Vaclav Talich.
7 p.m.—Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).
Songs My Mother Taught Me (Macfar-

ren-Dvorak); Mother O' Mine (Kipling-Tours)...with Piano accom. by Frederick Schauwecker.
Arise O Sun (Lockton-Day); Garden Of Happiness (Lockton-Wood)...with Orchestra.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Lucky Dip" 12th Edition. Presented by William MacLurg with "Listeners' Corner" edited by Adrian Thomas—Songs, anecdotes, and verse contributed by listeners—and "Enter Sexton Blake" written for broadcasting by Ernest Dudley on a synopsis by Berkeley Gray with George Curzon as Sexton Blake and Brian Lawrence as Tinker, Episode 12; "Fight to a Finish", Music by Rae Jenkins' Lucky Dip Orchestra under the direction of Jack Clarke.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Saxophone and Piano Recital by Albert Potterton and Harold Mansfield.

1. Midnight in Mayfair...Harold Mansfield at the Piano.

2. Valse Vanite...Albert Potterton (Saxophone) with Harold Mansfield at the Piano.

3. Trees...Harold Mansfield at the Piano.

4. Saxatelli...Albert Potterton (Saxophone) with Harold Mansfield at the Piano.

5. Medley. Intro: Music Maestro Please; Lady Be Good; The Man I Love; Sweet Sue; These Foolish Things; Goodbye Blues...Harold Mansfield at the Piano.

8.25 p.m.—Charles Trenet and Damia.

La Polka Du Roi—Chanson (Trenet); Le Grand Cafe—Chanson (Trenet).

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La Guinguette A Ferme Ses Violets—Valse-Musette Chantee (Montague & Zwingel); Chanson De Halage (Lenoir & Claude)...Damia with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon.

En Quittant Une Ville—Chanson (Trenet); Pigeon Volé—Slow-Fox Chante (Trenet & Misaki)...Charles Trenet & His Orchestra. La Fille Aux Matelots (film "Sola"); Tu Ne Saix Pas Aimer, Waltz (film "Sola")...Damia with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon.

8.50 p.m.—Local Sports Results.

8.55 p.m.—London Relay—"The Adventures of Alonzo MacTavish". Specifically written for broadcasting by Peter Cheyne No. 5. Production by Val Gielgud.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"The News".

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log".

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—"Sports News".

9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(a) Tango Tentatore; (b) Olvidate Milynguita; (c) Lagrimas; (d) Ojazón.

10.05 p.m.—Record: There's Something In The Air (from "Banjo on my Knee"); Goodnight, My Love (from "Stowaway")...Ruth Etting (Vocal) with Orchestra.

10.10 p.m.—(a) Confidentially; (b) Avalon; (c) This time it's real; (d) When you're smiling.

10.25 p.m.—Records: Some Of These Days (Brooks)...Eddie Peabody playing his Banjo, Mandolin, Mandoline and Banjoline with Piano. The Scene Changes (Billy Hill); Empty Saddles (film "Rhythm on the Range")...Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

10.35 p.m.—(a) Garden of the Moon; (b) Riffifi at the Ritz; (c) Love is where you Find It; (d) Girl on the Isle of Man.

10.50 p.m.—Record: Slow Fox-Trot Medley. Intro: You're the Picture; Love is Like a Cigarette; In the Middle of a Kiss; Without a word of warning....Gerry Moore (Piano).

10.55 p.m.—London Relay—"To be announced".

12.45 a.m.—Close down.



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♣ 8 6

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Q 8 7 6 3
A K 10
J 9 3

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
10	1NT	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
Pass	40	Pass	Pass
Dbl.	Pass	Pass	Pass

North's vulnerable notrump overcall indicated a better hand than he actually held. After East and West got to three clubs, South decided to "push" by a bid of three hearts. North, who had already overbid his hand, had no excuse for bidding four.

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♦ Q X X X
♥ X X X X
♦ A K Q X X X
♣ X X X X

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ANSWER: Your correct bid is to pass. Your partner's four-spade opening bid is a denial of high card strength and you may be absolutely certain he does not hold two Aces. Furthermore, if he does have a void suit, it will almost surely be diamonds (your seven-carder)—not hearts or clubs, in which you have singletons.

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What do you bid? (Answer to tomorrow.)

♦ Q X X X
♥ X X X X
♦ A K Q X X X
♣ X X X X

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West
North
East
South

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Moroccan Demonstration Against Italy

Casablanca, To-day.
A large number of Moroccans, with pieces of macaroni attached to their clothing, demonstrated against Germany and Italy here yesterday.

POLAND WELL SATISFIED

Warsaw, To-day.
Mr. Chamberlain's House of Commons speech has made a deep impression in Polish political circles.

The French decision is also welcomed.

The official newspapers say Poland is naturally interested in everything concerning Rumania, and see in the Anglo-French declaration proof of the understanding of the Western Powers for the important part played by Rumania in Eastern Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. RELIEF

Washington, To-day.
President Roosevelt yesterday signed the measure providing for an additional \$100,000,000 for relief.—Reuter.

After attending prayers at the Mosques they marched through the streets shouting hostile remarks about the totalitarian States.

They called Italy "Islam's Public Enemy No. One."

As the crowd was seen to be making for the Italian Consulate the police barred the way and dispersed the demonstrators, who then sent a delegation to the authorities protesting against "Italian policy in regard to the Moslem countries and particularly the annexation of Albania."—Reuter.

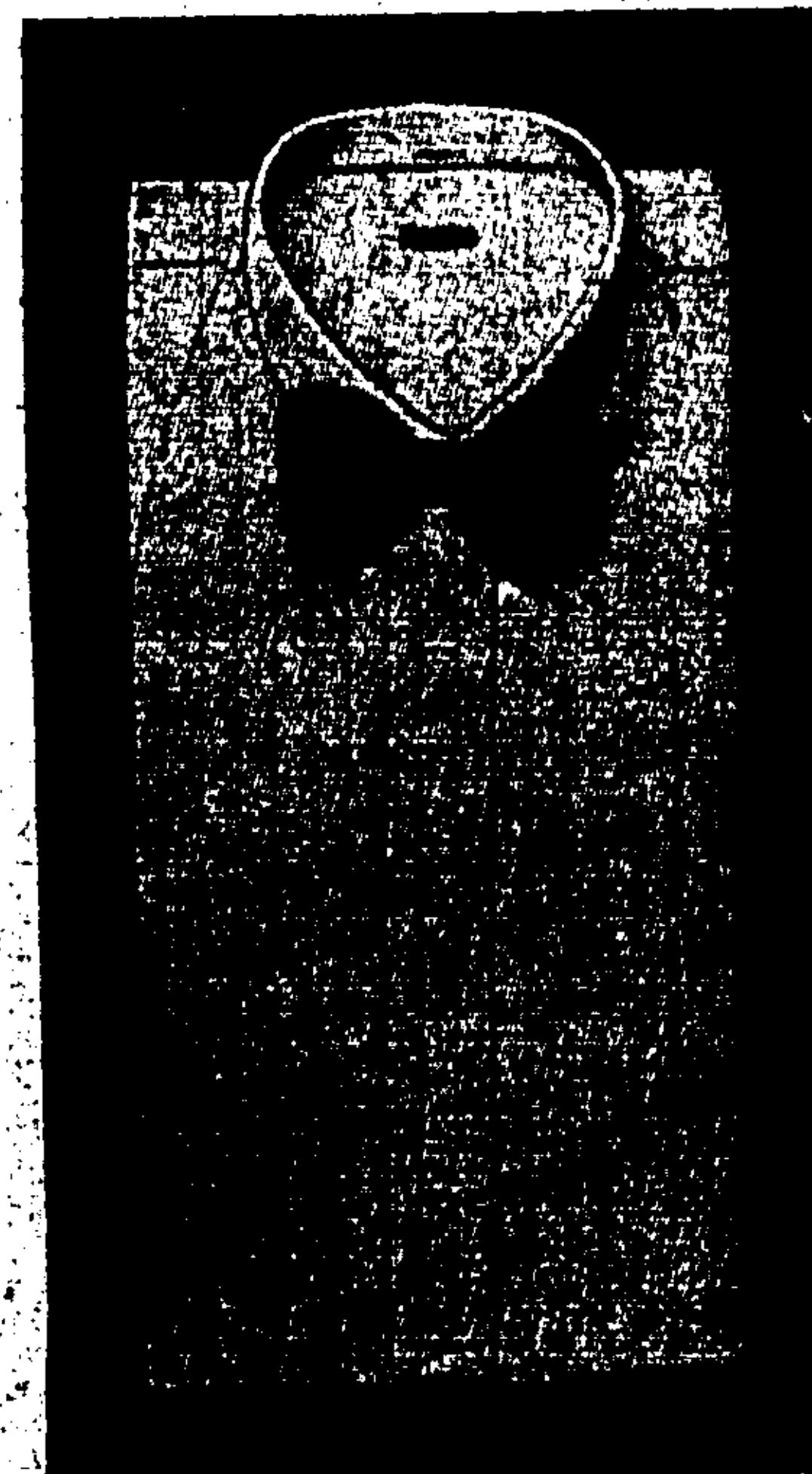
GEN. FRANCO'S TRIUMPHAL ENTRY MAY BE POSTPONED

PARIS, TO-DAY.
GENERAL FRANCO'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY INTO MADRID MAY BE POSTPONED UNTIL MAY 15, ACCORDING TO A HAVAS AGENCY TELEGRAM.

The despatch adds that the victory march through the town will be followed by the withdrawal of foreign troops and the demobilisation of the Spanish forces.

It is pointed out that May 15 is dedicated to Saint Isadore, Patron Saint of Madrid.—Reuter.

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Kunming, To-day.

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Canton, To-day.

Headquarters of the local Japanese gendarmerie have flatly denied widespread rumours that the Japanese authorities intend to conscript all able-bodied Cantonese youths for service with the Japanese military.

They assert that the rumours were circulated for the purpose of "disturbing peace and order in the city" and to discourage Chinese from remaining in Canton.

The gendarmerie announce that effective measures are being taken to suppress all such wild reports.

Officers in mufti, they reveal, have been sent to all parts of the city in an effort to locate and arrest the rumour-mongers.—Reuter.

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese official reports state that the Chinese forces attacking Kaifeng have been driven off, but admit that fighting is still proceeding about four miles south of the city.

The Japanese authorities deny there has been any revolt in Kaifeng or that members of the Pacification Commission there have been killed, but despatches reaching reliable Chinese sources tend to confirm both these reports.

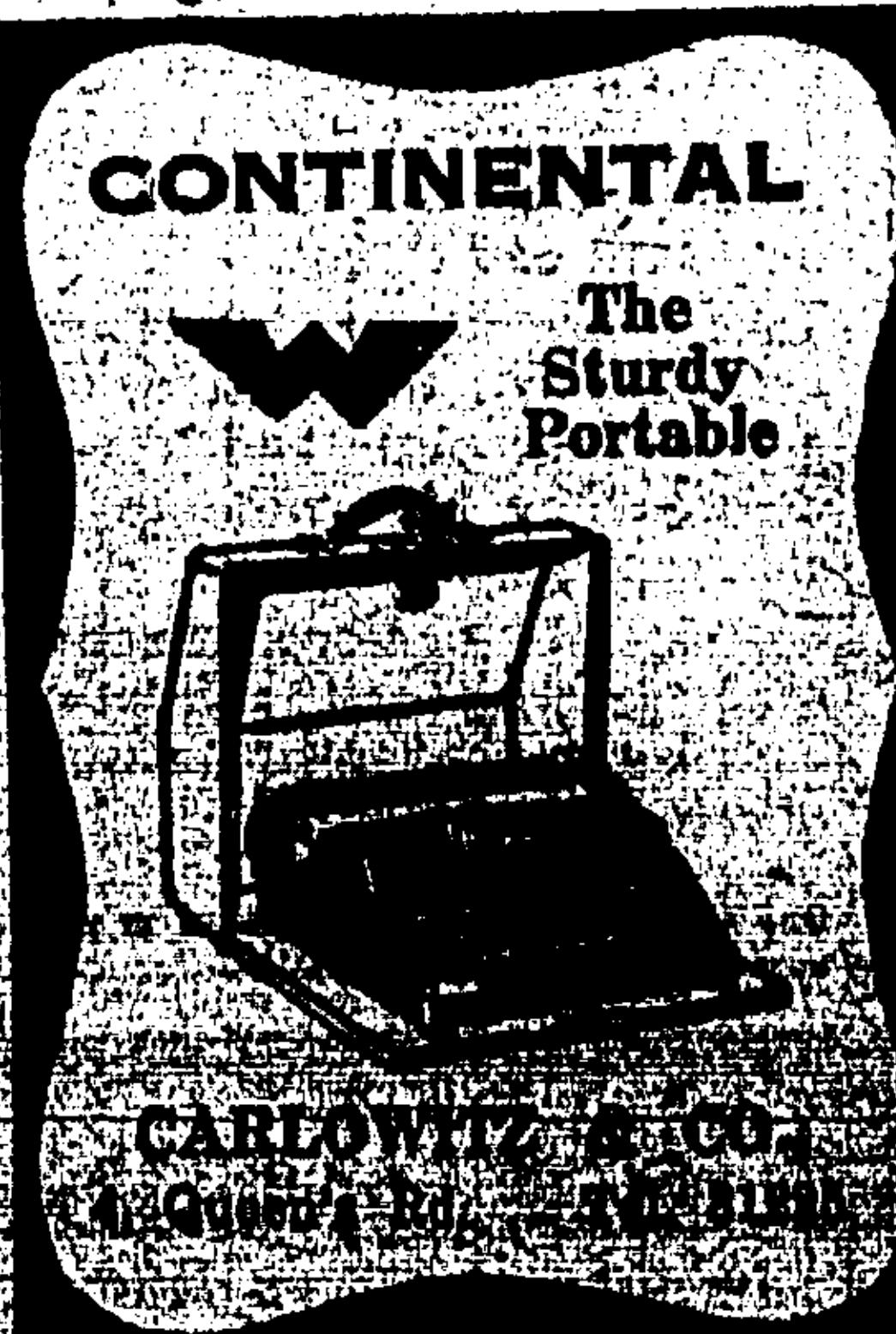
Chinese guerillas are very active in many parts of North China.

It is reported that the through rail service to Nanjing has been interrupted by fighting at Hsichow, where the Chinese launched an attack two days ago.

It is learned from reliable sources that during the Chinese attack on Tatung, some of the coal mines there were flooded and the railway cut.

Similar reports of damage to railways come from a number of other places.

According to Japanese official sources, Chinese artillery at Tungkuang has been shelling the Japanese positions across the Yellow River.—Reuter.



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